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Dear Colleague:

In the light of the approaching sesquicentennial anniversary of the birth of Louis Pasteur, President R. C. E. Murray has asked me to arrange a commemorative program on behalf of the A.S.M.

It is planned that this will be held in New Orleans on Monday, November 20th during the period when the Council Policy Committee and the Publications Board of the Society will be meeting in our city. Members of these groups and other distinguished scientists who are being invited will present a series of short papers on aspects of the general theme, "Pasteur's contributions to mankind and science in our time." It is hoped to have contributions also from at least one or two representatives of the government and the scientific community of France. The symposium is to be held during the day in the (500-seat) auditorium of the Tulane Medical School, with a reception for the speakers to follow elsewhere. The audience will include faculty and students in microbiology from various institutions in the local region as well as any interested ASM members from other parts of the country who will be warmly welcome. Efforts will be made to secure nation-wide general publicity for the event through various news media, in addition to publication of the talks in ASM News. A committee is being formed to look after the arrangements for local hospitality.

You are cordially invited to attend and we trust that you will honor us with your presence in this occasion of such special significance. I look forward to hearing from you soon whether you plan to come.

Sincerely yours,

Morris F. Shaffer

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cc: Dr. A. F. Langlykke Dr. D. E. Shay

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P.S.: As a recipient of the prestigious Pasteur Award from the Illinois Society for Microbiology, you undoubtedly have a particular interest in participating in the homage to this great founder of our discipline.

Worm regards -.

M.F.S.